

Claims

1. A solid pharmaceutical composition comprising gabapentin, a basic compound that is a hydroxide or a salt of a weak acid, and at least one other excipient that is not a hydroxide or a salt of a weak acid.
2. A composition of claim 1 wherein the basic compound is sodium hydroxide.
3. A composition of claim 1 wherein the basic compound is a sodium salt of a weak acid.
4. A composition of claim 1 wherein the basic compound is sodium carbonate.
5. A composition of claim 1 wherein the basic compound is sodium bicarbonate.
6. A composition of claim 1 wherein the basic compound is tribasic sodium phosphate.
7. A composition of any of claims 1 to 6 wherein the amount of the basic compound relative to the amount of gabapentin by weight is under 5%.
8. A composition of any of claims 1 to 6 wherein the amount of the basic compound relative to the amount of gabapentin is from about 0.01% to about 4%.
9. A composition of any of claims 1 to 6 wherein the amount of the basic compound relative to the amount of gabapentin is from about 0.02% to about 1%.

10. A composition of any of claims 1 to 9 wherein made by a process in which a binder is dissolved in a solvent, the solution is used to wet granulate the gabapentin, and the solvent is evaporated.

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11. A composition of claim 10 wherein the basic compound is added to the solution of the binder in the solvent.

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12. A composition of any of claims 1 to 11, which comprises a binder, selected from copolyvidone, povidone and hydroxypropyl cellulose.

13. A composition of any of claims 1 to 11, which comprises copolyvidone as binder.

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14. A composition of any of claims 1 to 13 in the form of a tablet.

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